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RE: U.S. PATENT APPLICATION SERIAL NO. 09/961,147

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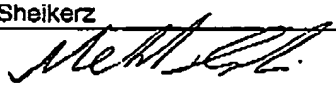
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REPLY/AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL		Attorney Docket No.	1573.1007		
		Application Number	09/961,147		
		Filing Date	September 24, 2001		
		First Named Inventor	Takushi FUJITA, et al.		
		Group Art Unit	2174		
AMOUNT ENCLOSED	\$104.00	Examiner Name	Anh T. Nguyen		
FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 10/01/03)					
CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	26	- 25 =	1	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 18.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	4	- 3 =	1	X \$ 86.00 =	86.00
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If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110.00)					
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In re the Application of:

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Group Art Unit: 2174

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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed May 19, 2004, and having a period for response set to expire on August 19, 2004. This Amendment is timely filed via certificate of facsimile on August 19, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.

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